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1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 06-85842, published March 25, 1994.
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 07-154424, published June 16, 1995.
3. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 11-17708, published January 22, 1999.
4. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 11-122257, published April 30, 1999.
5. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 10-79979, published March 24, 1998.
6. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 09-8812, published January 10, 1997.
7. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 03-240338, published October 25, 1991.
8. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 56-32819, published July 30, 1981.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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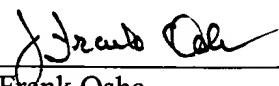
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